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DETAILED ACTION

The reply filed on June 18, 2007 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): (1) the response fails to include a summary of the interview held February 22, 2007 and (2) the response fails to point out where each element indicated by the examiner to not be shown in the drawings is actually present in the drawings. See 37 CFR 1.111.

With respect to the drawing objection made under 37 CFR 1.83(a), it is noted that applicant makes a general allegation that the examiner is incorrect without actually pointing out how the examiner is incorrect. In this regard, it should be noted that 37 CFR 1.83(a) clearly states that every feature specified in the claims must be shown in the drawings. The examiner has indicated that the "base subassembly", "support assembly" and "cover portion" of claim 1 have not been shown in the drawings. Applicant then alleges that the examiner is incorrect. For the examiner to be incorrect, these elements must already be shown in the drawings. If this is the case, what elements are these? A complete response to the previous Office action requires that applicant either correct the noted deficiency or clearly show that the examiner is in error. Further, it should be noted that all terminology used in the claims should find clear antecedent basis in the specification. Accordingly, if the terminology of the specification is different from that used in the claims, what disclosed elements correspond to these claim recitations? Is the piston 74 supposed to be the "base subassembly"? Apparently it is not since the claim recites that the piston is a part of the support assembly and thus piston 74 cannot be both the base subassembly and the support assembly that is

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arranged to support the base subassembly. Is the base portion 76 supposed to be the "support assembly"? Is the body 80 supposed to be the "cover portion"? While applicant may be his own lexicographer, all terms used must find clear antecedent basis in the specification.

Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Victor MacArthur whose telephone number is 571-272-7085. The examiner can normally be reached daily from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Daniel P. Stodola, can be reached on 571-272-7087. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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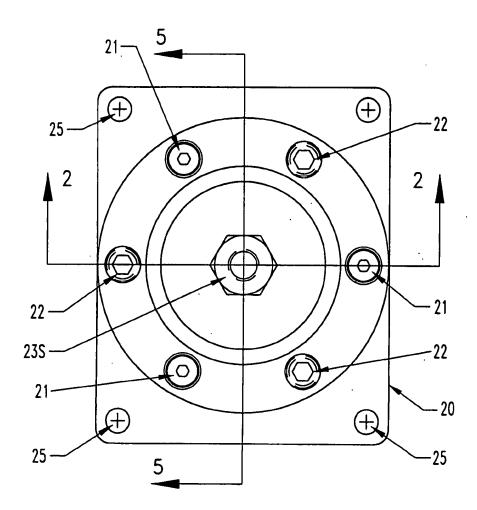


Fig. 1